

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1174 without my signature.

Although I recognize the challenges that the blind and visually impaired must overcome when interacting with the motoring public, this bill attempts to solve a national traffic safety problem through the California Energy Commission.

Currently, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Society of Automotive Engineers International, and the automotive industry are collaborating on research to address this problem. Since the State of California has no authority over vehicle design, except for purposes of controlling air pollution emissions, and there is value in creating conforming standards throughout the nation, this issue should be handled at the federal level.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger